## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION

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| ALVIN EUGENE MCSWAIN,     | )          |
| Petitioner,               | )          |
| V.                        | ) ORDER    |
| UNITED STATED OF AMERICA, | )          |
| Respondent                | )<br>t)    |

THIS MATTER comes before the Court upon the Petitioner's Motion under 28 U.S.C. § 2255 to Vacate, Set Aside, or Correct Sentence and Petitioner's Application to Proceed <u>In Forma</u> Pauperis. (Doc. No. 1).

The Court has considered the motion and the record of prior proceedings and determined that the United States Attorney should file an answer. Rule 4(b), Rules Governing § 2255 Proceedings.

With respect to the Motion to Proceed <u>In Forma Pauperis</u>, a motion to vacate does not require a filing fee; therefore, <u>in forma pauperis</u> status is not necessary to proceed with the case.

## **IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED** that:

- 1) No later than forty (40) days from the filing of this Order, the United States Attorney shall file an answer to Petitioner's Motion to Vacate; and
- 2) Petitioner's Application to Proceed In Forma Pauperis is DENIED as moot.

Signed: May 6, 2008

Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

Chief United States District Judge